

Frequently Asked Questions about the Expiration of Federally Extended Benefits

According to federal law, federally extended unemployment insurance benefits (EEUC) will end Saturday, December 28, 2013. The last day to file eligible vouchers for that week will be Saturday, January 4, 2014. Below are answers to some of the most common questions.

Why is this happening?

The federal government's extension of benefits earlier this year mandated federal benefits expire at the end of 2013.

How do I know if I'm collecting federally extended benefits?

When you log into Uplink, Indiana's online filing system, your "Claimant Homepage" will appear. Under the heading "Program" in the middle of the page is listed "UI" and "EEUC". If to the right of "EEUC", under the heading "Status" reads "Open", you are receiving federally extended benefits. These benefits will end Saturday, December 28, 2013.

Do these benefits "phase out"?

No. All federally extended benefits expire Saturday, December 28, 2013. The last day to file eligible vouchers for that week will be Saturday, January 4, 2014.

What happens to Hoosiers on unemployment when the federal extensions expire?

Unemployed Hoosiers will not be able to receive any further federally extended benefit payments.

What can I do to help my situation before the federally extended benefits expire?

It is important for you to visit your local WorkOne as soon as possible to get help with your job search. WorkOne staff can help you update your resume, recharge your job search and interview skills, strengthen your computer knowledge, get your Indiana High School Equivalency Diploma, become certified in a high-demand industry and match your skills with new career opportunities to find a new job. All of these services and more are free of charge. Log on to www.workoneworks.com to find out more.

Are there any other programs to help unemployed Hoosiers with food, rent, or other items?

Visit The Indiana Department of Workforce Development's (DWD) website at www.in.gov/dwd. Click on "Unemployment for Individuals", then click on "Resource Guide for the Unemployed" on the left side of the page. This guide provides information about other programs that can help while you are unemployed. This guide is also available at your local WorkOne.